

ABSTRACT

An electronic component is provided which includes external electrodes having a multilayer structure of first and second sintered electrode layers that are densely sintered and have less possibility of causing poor appearance and decreased reliability in electrical connection.

The electronic component has external electrodes 7 and 8. The external electrode 7 includes a first sintered electrode layer 7a and a second sintered electrode layer 7b while the external electrode 8 includes a first sintered electrode layer 8a and a second sintered electrode layer 8b. The first sintered electrode layers 7a and 8a contain a first borosilicate glass containing an alkali metal. The first borosilicate glass contains 85% to 95% by weight of silicon and 0.5% to 1.5% by weight of the alkali metal based on 100% by weight of all contained elements other than boron. The second sintered electrode layers 7b and 8b contain a second borosilicate glass containing an alkali metal. The second borosilicate glass contains 65% to 80% by weight of silicon and 3.5% to 8.0% by weight of the alkali metal based on 100% by weight of all contained elements other than boron.